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HOUSE RESOLUTION 223
By Bowers

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend legislative intern Jason Rolando McKinney.

WHEREAS, Jason Rolando McKinney, the son of J. C. Buford and Marveline and Byron Cowan, was born on January 2, 1977 in the city of Memphis, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Jason was educated in the Hardin County School System, having graduated from Hardin County High School in the Class of 1995; Jason was a member of the Hardin County Tigers football team his senior year. He delivered outstanding service in the defensive back position, and was also a member of the basketball team his junior and senior years; and

WHEREAS, Jason received the Alpha Scholar Award from Lane College, AKA Sorority in 1994 and the Presidential Scholarship in 1995 from Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, Jason enrolled August 1995, as a freshman at Tennessee State University, Nashville, Tennessee and continued his education at the University until December 1996; upon entering his junior year, Jason returned to Memphis, January 1997, to attend the University of Memphis and plans to complete his degree requirements in his major, Accounting, with a Political Science minor, in December 1999; and

WHEREAS, Jason is a faithful member of the Mt. Moriah East Baptist Church, in Memphis, Tennessee, under the spiritual guidance of Reverend Melvin Charles Smith; and

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WHEREAS, Jason enjoys his hobbies of listening to music, watching basketball, and traveling; and

WHEREAS, Jason's future plans are to finish college, work for an accounting firm and to attend law school; in the coming years his plans possibly include opening a law and accounting firm partnership; and

WHEREAS, Jason presented to the 100th General Assembly, State subcommittee of State and Local Government Committee, the background information for HJR 141 "Buffalo Soldiers Day", February, 1998; and

WHEREAS, Jason has been a valuable member of the House of Representatives intern program, a wonderful example of a young gentleman, and a truly "delightful", charming person; he also attended committee meetings with Vice-Chairman Bowers where he gained insight into the role of House Leadership; and

WHEREAS, Jason served as the intern for two of the Shelby County Delegation Members, Representatives Kathryn I. Bowers and Barbara Cooper; we hope this experience will assist him in his future goals, which we are confident he will attain. The officers and staff of the House Agriculture Committee wish Jason the very best for a challenging and successful future; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we honor and commend Jason Rolando McKinney and wish him well in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.